

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 693

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Inventors: Title:

Ellington M. Beavers et al METHOD OF MAKING FREE ACIDS

Examiner:

FROM POLYSACCHARIDE SALTS

Art Unit:

E. White 1623

File No.:

281-28

## NOTICE OF APPEAL

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal from the final rejection of Claims 1-8 and 20-23, in the above-identified application.

A Petition for Extension of Time has been previously filed, extending the deadline for response until March 14, 2000.

A check for \$150.00, in payment of the fee for filing this Notice of Appeal, as prescribed in 37 CFR §1.17, is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW.

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